



# Welton CE Academy Weekly Newsletter

Headteacher Mr M Colcombe

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018



## House Points

**Franklins 166**

**Rockingham 88**

**Silverstone 209**

**Sixfields 164**

### Stars of the Week

W/C 19<sup>th</sup> February

Rabbits: Layla York

Squirrels: Harry Knox

Foxes: Maisie Hopkins

Badgers: Nicole Finnegan

Otters: Lily Theobald

W/C 5<sup>th</sup> March

Rabbits: Kasey Hall

Squirrels: Amelia Carpenter

Foxes: William Jenkins

Badgers: Lacey-Mae Ford

Otters: James Hansford-Ward

### Attendance

W/C 19<sup>th</sup> February

Rabbits 93.8%

Squirrels 98.8%

Foxes 98.7%

Badgers 95.7%

Otters 100%

**School 97.7%**

W/C 5<sup>th</sup> March

Rabbits 97.5%

Squirrels 99.3%

Foxes 96.8%

Badgers 97.6%

Otters 96.1%

**School 97.7%**

### Netball Master Class



On the 20th January, 7 girls from Year 6 had the opportunity to attend a netball masterclass in Northampton. They worked with Natalie Panagarry who plays for England and Loughborough Lightning, learning a variety of netball skills. These will hopefully put to good use when they will represent the school at The DRET Spring Cup next week.



### World Book Day

Despite the snowy conditions, causing World Book Day to be cut a bit short, the children really got into the spirit of the day. A fabulous range of costumes were worn (thank you parents) and it was great to see so many different book characters. The children had a great day taking part in book related activities. A big thank you to staff and parents for their support which made the day a success. Start preparing costumes for next year! ☺



### **Voice in a Million**

As you know, the Voice in a Million concert is on Wednesday 14th March at Wembley Arena. We will be travelling on a coach to and from the venue. The coach will leave school at 11.30am on Wednesday, as there are rehearsals in the afternoon in preparation for the concert.

The children have been practising the songs and are really looking forward to the concert. I'm sure that they will have an amazing time.

Any siblings attending the concert with parents will still need to be in school for the normal time and ready for the bell at 8:50am.

### **Sports Relief**

We will be taking part in Sports Relief on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March more details on this to follow. We would like to ask that cakes be brought in on the day, either baked by yourselves or shop bought.

### **Woodwind Recital**

Today the woodwind recital team from Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust (NMPAT) visited the school. The team performed to the children and explained a little about how woodwind instruments work. It was a thoroughly inspiring presentation.

The David Ross Education Trust (DRET) encourages all children to take up musical opportunities as aside from the enjoyment, confidence and pride that come with learning an instrument, there is much research and evidence showing how it can also support and enhance academic progress.

If there are any KS2 that are interested in learning flute or clarinet then please see Mrs Ford in the office.

### **Front Gate**

Please refrain from propping the gate open in the morning or afternoons. Would you be kind enough to use the gate close to the railings as this has the bolt to keep it open.

### **Speeding in the Village**

It has come to our attention that parents are concerned at the speed that some cars drive around the blind bend by the pub. Please reduce speed and be considerate of children, parents and siblings at busy school times.

### **P.E Kit**

Please could you all make sure that P.E Kits are brought into school on a Monday and taken home on a Friday.

## **Diary Dates**

13 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	Primary Cup
14 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	Voice in a Million – SSE Wembley
23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2018	Sports Relief
27 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	Primary Music Festival
<b>29<sup>th</sup> March 2018</b>	<b>School Closes – Last Day</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> April 2018</b>	<b>School Re-Opens</b>

<b>25<sup>th</sup> May 2018</b>	<b>School Closes – Last Day</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> June 2018</b>	<b>School Re-Opens</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Dance Festival
3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2018	Summer Cup
17 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	Year 5 Grendon Residential
<b>20<sup>th</sup> July 2018</b>	<b>School Closes – Last Day</b>

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Dear Mr Colcombe,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on your school's very high standard of achievement in the 2017 key stage 2 assessments.

Your school's results, as published on 14 December, show that 100 per cent of your pupils reached or exceeded the expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics at the end of key stage 2. This means that your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England.

We want to ensure that every child has the necessary fluency in reading, writing and mathematics to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this to all your pupils.

Thank you for your hard work and professionalism in producing such high standards and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

**Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP**